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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AID-TO-CITIES
VARIOUS ROAD AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS
CITY OF NORWALK
RESOLUTION NO. 3866
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4
4 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Consider the Notices of Exemption adopted by the City of Norwalk for four road and traffic signal improvement projects described on the enclosed Resolution, find that these projects are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, and find that these actions reflect the independent judgment of the County.
2. Adopt the enclosed Resolution under the authority of Section 1680 of the Streets and Highways Code finding that the proposed road and traffic signal improvement projects located at various locations within the City of Norwalk are of general County interest and providing that County aid shall be extended therefore in the amount of \$168,449.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The City of Norwalk has requested payment of \$168,449 in Aid-To-Cities (ATC) funds previously allocated to the City for the following road and traffic signal improvement projects:

Bloomfield Avenue Rehabilitation Project

Resurface Bloomfield Avenue with asphalt rubber between Foster Road and the Golden State Freeway. The City intends to use \$28,749 of its available ATC funds toward the construction cost of this project.

Imperial Highway/Firestone Boulevard Traffic Signal Upgrade Project

Upgrade the existing traffic signal and its appurtenant structures at this intersection. The City intends to use \$22,600 of its available ATC funds toward the construction cost of this project.

Excelsior Drive Rehabilitation Project

Resurface Excelsior Drive with asphalt rubber between Elmcroft Avenue and Norwalk Boulevard. The City intends to use \$34,600 of its available ATC funds toward the construction cost of this project.

Rosecrans Avenue/Leibacher Avenue Widening Project

Widen Rosecrans Avenue, within the existing right of way, to provide an additional lane east of Leibacher Avenue to match the existing lane configuration west of Leibacher Avenue. The City intends to use \$82,500 of its available ATC funds toward the construction cost of this project.

Sections 1680-1683 of the California Streets and Highways Code provide that the board of supervisors of any county may, by a resolution adopted by a four-fifths vote of its members, determine that certain types of road improvements on specified streets are of general county interest and that county-aid shall be extended therefore. County-aid may be provided in the form of labor, equipment and materials, or a direct payment to the city.

The County's ATC program was formally initiated by the Board of Supervisors in the 1940s and provided for the County to allocate a portion of its State gasoline tax funds to cities in Los Angeles County on a formula basis. In 1990, the Board revised the policy for the 1989-90 ATC Fund allocations. This policy provides that all 1989-90 ATC monies be utilized for the following purposes:

- (1) Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization projects.
- (2) Transportation Systems Management and Congestion Management projects that improve regional traffic mobility.
- (3) Design, acquisition of right of way, and construction of city streets on the County's Highway Plan, which are of general County interest and regional significance, providing that the regional priorities in 1 and 2 are met to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works.

Beginning in Fiscal Year 1990-91, annual ATC allocations were discontinued. However, some cities have yet to claim the ATC funds allocated to them in the preceding years.

We have reviewed the proposed projects and have determined that they meet all criteria for use of 1989-90 ATC funds. The requested amount of \$168,449 represents all of the money remaining to the credit of the City in its County ATC allocation for 1989-90 and prior fiscal years.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action meets the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence as it provides the City with County assistance in the improvements to its streets for the benefit of the motoring public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The County's anticipated expenses for the ATC program are budgeted annually in the Road Fund Budget administered by us. The \$168,449 necessary to finance this request is available in the Fiscal Year 2002-03 Road Fund Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The enclosed Resolution has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

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ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The Notices of Exemptions adopted by the City of Norwalk for these projects are in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act. Your consideration of these documents is required prior to your Board's approval of this resolution.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

As the anticipated expenses for the ATC program are budgeted annually, there will be no impact on current services or projects.

CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to us with an executed copy of the Resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES
Director of Public Works

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Enc.

cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel

RESOLUTION NO. 3866

IT IS RESOLVED that the following road and traffic signal improvement projects located at various locations within the City of Norwalk are of general County interest and that County-aid shall be extended, therefore, to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Highway Users Tax, in the amount of \$168,449, from the Road Fund for this purpose and that this amount be paid to the City of Norwalk, as identified below, for said purpose upon written request to the Director of Public Works when work is about to be started and when money is available in the County Treasury.

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Provided, however, that if the work mentioned above has not been started within 60 days from date of County warrant in payment, said amount shall be returned to the Director of Public Works and deposited in the Road Fund, and provided also that, immediately upon completion of the project, an itemized statement shall be rendered to the Director of Public Works, showing the application of this money for the work performed, and if any portion of said sum shall not have been so used and expended for the work specified, the sum or sums so remaining unexpended shall be returned to the Director of Public Works immediately and deposited in the Road Fund.

The foregoing Resolution was on the _____ day of _____, 2002, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio of the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

VIOLET VARONA-LUKENS
Executive Officer of the
Board of Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

LLOYD W. PELLMAN
County Counsel

By _____
Deputy

By _____
Deputy